

Mount Kisco Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes –October 11, 2023

Attendance: {check all present}

Linda Cindrich _x_ Kathy Feeney _ab_ Christy McGinn _x_
Christine Dennett _x_ Kim Terlizzi _x_ Gallo Trujillo _ab_ Bob Byrns _x_
Kyle Thornton _x_
Leonard Park Committee: Jacqueline Vedder
Other: Gina Picinch-Mayor, Ed Brancatti-Village Manager, Ken Famulare-Assistant Village Manager, Karen Schleimer-Village Trustee

Meeting called to order @ 7:05pm

Minutes of Meeting: Review minutes of September 13, 2023(enclosed)

Motion to accept minutes by: Kim Terlizzi

Seconded by: Bob Byrns

All in favor.

⇒ ***Review of Income and Expenses (enclosed):***

Revenue from the Fall Programs is pretty much completed as most of our fall program have started or have been canceled. Waiting on the revenue from the Basketball League registrations. Expenses better than last year at the same time.

Superintendent's Report

⇒ Pool Update

ABI, company doing the project, has been on the job for about 2 weeks. Peter Miley, Village Building Inspector, is scheduled to come to the park to inspect the trailers, campsite, that have been placed at the park while the work is being done. The job is slated to be completed in December. Pool tiles in the Main Pool are currently being removed. The Board of Health has approved the ladders that were installed to meet with code. Kyle reported that there is an issue with a part of the fence that needs to be repaired. Slabs behind the diving boards have shifted and creating a draining issue. The Concessionaire for the 2023 season still has not paid the usage fee of \$2,000. Kyle would like to take the Tennis Hut from the Tennis Court area and put it by the Snack Bar entrance to create a new Pool Entrance to the pool. The rates and dates for the 2024 Pool Season has not been determined as to date.

Superintendent's Report cont....

⇒ Parks Update

Kyle stated that there has been a lot of rain lately and it washed away 3rd base, so the bases had to be replaced. Staff overtime needed to be used to clean up the Tennis Courts after all the rain. A stream of water was coming up from under the Volleyball Courts which caused a temporarily a bump but has gone back down when the water subsided. The Park Maintenance has been over to 333 N. Bedford Field to get that field in playable shape. Kyle has been speaking to a company who is going to work on a field a season to get all the fields in better condition for play. The roof on the Tea House has been cleaned and power washed. Kyle is pleased with the look of it, but now there are issues with rotten wood. The electrical panel box has been updated and replaced. The bathroom lights will automatically go on and off. The lights and fans have also been updated. There is a now a light switch in the Main Room of the Tea House. Linda would like to know where did the money come from for the Dugout gates. Kyle responded, from the Capital Budget, \$12,000. Christine stated that going forward all decisions regarding changes to the park must be put to a vote by the Commission.

⇒ Program Update

George is running 8 programs another 8 programs have been canceled do to lack of enrollment and 1 program had to be combined with another program. Last year's Basketball League we had 6 teams and this year we have 3 teams. Enrollment is down. Allie has 14 programs running including (2) 1 Day Schools not in Session programs. Need to get the word out and advertise our programs.

News from Village Hall

None

Old/Unfinished Business:

⇒ Food Truck Event May 18 2024

There is still an outstanding fee due from Exit 4 for the 2023 Food Truck Event. Kim spoke with the owner to help facilitate this issue, he said he would look into it. The hours of the 2023 Event was 3:00-7:00pm. Kyle would like to have the Event changed to 4:00-8:00pm with no admission fee. A free event for the community. Kyle would like to see a 50/50 Raffle and we could sell tickets prior to the event. He also stated that we will need another DJ as the one we used in the past is no longer available.

New Business:

⇒ Park Safety Concerns

A suggestion to reinstate the Park Patrol. Question was raised to see if the cameras and lights were working at the Tea House. Kyle stated that they are all up and operating. Mayor Picinch reported that from January -September the Westchester County Police have made 770 patrols in Leonard Park. Kim stated that the Police do not get out of their patrol cars. She thinks that if there was foot patrol at the park this would help with checking the baseball dugout/sheds/ and around the Teahouse. Christy suggested a “Walking Patrol” so there would be a police presence. Karen suggested instead of establishing this as a permanent solution have a trial test period. Going into the winter months these issues are not as prevalent. Patrolling from April - November when the park is being used more. The mayor is 100% on board to keep all residents of Mt. Kisco safe not just in one area. Christy suggested a “Walking Patrol” so that would be a police presence. Christine suggested to have “check points” that would be checked through out the day.

Open Discussion:

With Budget Season coming up, Christine suggested to have a “Wish List” of what things the commission would like done in the park. She would like to have the Tea House updated and overhauled, as it is over 60 years old.

Good and Welfare:

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by: Kim Terlizzi

Seconded by: Christy McGinn

All in favor.

Respectively submitted by: Gail Hall

Date: October 11, 2023

Time: 9:05pm

Next scheduled meeting: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 7:00 pm